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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on January 14, 2004, Applicant hereby calls the following document to the attention of the Examiner:

A copy of a European Search Report mailed in related European Patent Application No. 03028105.9-2415 on February 3, 2004 is enclosed, in which the following documents were cited:

ITU-T Recommendation V.8 bis ("Procedures for the Identification and Selection of Common Modes of Operation Between Data Circuit-Terminating Equipments (DCEs) and Between Data Terminal Equipments (DTEs) Over the General Switched Telephone Network and On Leased Point-to-Point Telephone-Type Circuits"), published by the

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International Telecommunication Union in August, 1996;

U.S. Patent 5,493,609 to DAVIS et al., which issued on February 20, 1996; and

An article by K. KRECHMER at pages 63,64 and 66 of Data Communications, McGraw Hill, NY, vol. 23, no. 2 (January 21, 1994), entitled "V.34 Modems: Off to a Fast Start".

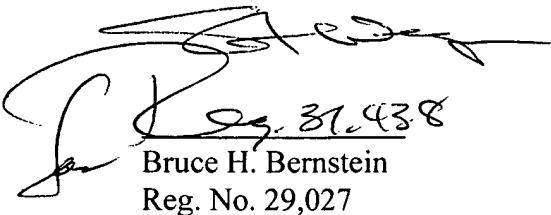
The relevancy of each document is described in the European Search Report. Applicant notes that copies of these documents were previously submitted, and thus, additional copies are not enclosed.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the documents. The above-noted documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form, which is also attached hereto. Further, since the documents have previously been presented to the Examiner, Applicant submits that no fee is required to be paid. The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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